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## RESPONSE / AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated July 19, 2007, issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the July 19, 2007, Office Action was due October 19, 2007. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a two-Month Extension of Time, including the required fee. Therefore, a response is due December 19, 2007. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: